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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, DCI

SUBJECT:

S. 355, A Bill to Prohibit the Misuse of Names, Emblems, and Insignia which Falsely Indicate Federal Relationship

- l. Since my last conversation with you on this, I learned a little more about it. The Committee had prepared a floor amendment for Francis Walter's use but when he reached the floor of the House he decided to discuss it with either McCormack or Halleck. On the basis of that conversation he concluded that the amendment was unnecessary and decided not to introduce it. (Neither the Senate staff people nor we share this view.) We feel we would have had a clear case against the "CIA" with the amendment. Without the amendment we are dubious as to our chances but plan to take it up with Justice again when the bill is enacted.
- 2. We have not approached the "CIA" prior to this time since we had nothing in the law to back our position. (We referred the matter to Justice and FTC, neither of whom felt we could successfully press the matter.)

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